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# Exiles



WALL STREET  
EARTH #616

"WHAT IS WRONG  
WITH THIS PICTURE?"

THAT'S WHAT WE ASK OURSELVES  
EVERY TIME WE POP INTO A NEW  
REALITY, USUALLY FOLLOWED BY  
"HOW CAN WE SET IT RIGHT?"

ONLY, COMPARED TO WHERE  
I GREW UP, THERE'S NOTHING  
WRONG HERE AT ALL.

MY WORLD WAS  
CONSUMED BY A  
NIGHTMARISH WAR  
BETWEEN MUTANTS AND  
ORDINARY HUMANS--  
"FLATSCANS,"  
WE CALLED THEM.

HERE, THEY'RE CALLED  
"SAPIENS." MOST ARE  
AT THE BOTTOM OF THE  
LADDER, BUT THEY'RE NOT  
EXACTLY OPPRESSED.

I MEAN, THESE GUYS COULD GET  
JOBS IF THEY WANTED. AND EVERY  
SOCIETY HAS ITS DREGS, RIGHT?

MY NAME IS CLARICE  
FERGUSON. I USUALLY  
GO BY MY X-MEN  
CODENAME: BLINK.

AND ASIDE FROM ONE  
GLARING PROBLEM, I'M  
STARTING TO THINK  
THIS WORLD IS HOW LIFE  
SHOULD BE.

THE PROBLEM  
IS BEAK.

THIS IS HIS WORLD--SORT  
OF. HE JOINED OUR TEAM  
A FEW MONTHS AGO TO  
HELP US FIX ALTERNATE  
REALITIES GONE WRONG.

WHILE WE WERE AWAY, EVERYTHING  
CHANGED HERE. IT WENT FROM A  
WORLD WHERE MUTANTS WERE A  
MISUNDERSTOOD MINORITY TO ONE  
WHERE MUTATION IS THE NORM.

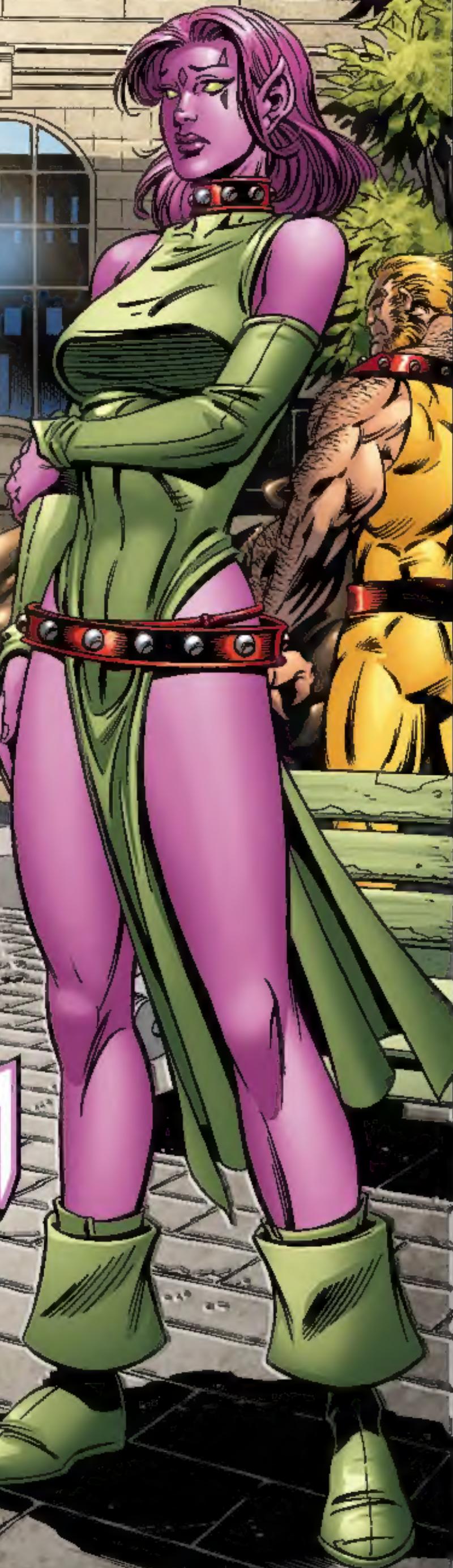
WE DON'T KNOW HOW IT HAPPENED,  
OR IF IT CAN BE CHANGED BACK...BUT  
UNDOING THIS UTOPIA MIGHT BE THE  
GREATEST CRIME OF ALL.

## WORLD HOUSE OF M TOUR

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ERIK. MAGNUS. MAGNETO. IN THE REALITY I COME FROM, HE LEADS THE X-MEN. IN OTHERS, HE'S THE MOST EVIL MUTANT ON EARTH.

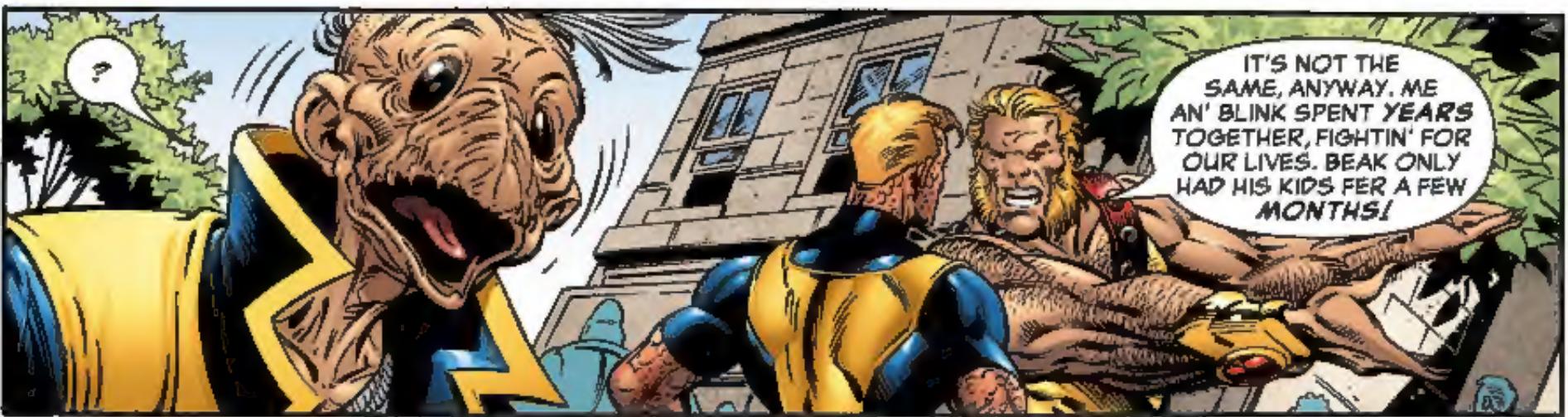
ON THIS VERSION OF EARTH, HE'S A HERO OF THE HIGHEST ORDER. I'VE SPENT ALL MORNING READING UP ON HIM.

KING MAGNUS COMMANDS GOVERNMENTS AROUND THE WORLD.

THE PROSPERITY HE BRINGS IS UNDENIABLE. THE EVILS HIS ARMIES AVERT ARE TOO NUMEROUS TO COUNT.

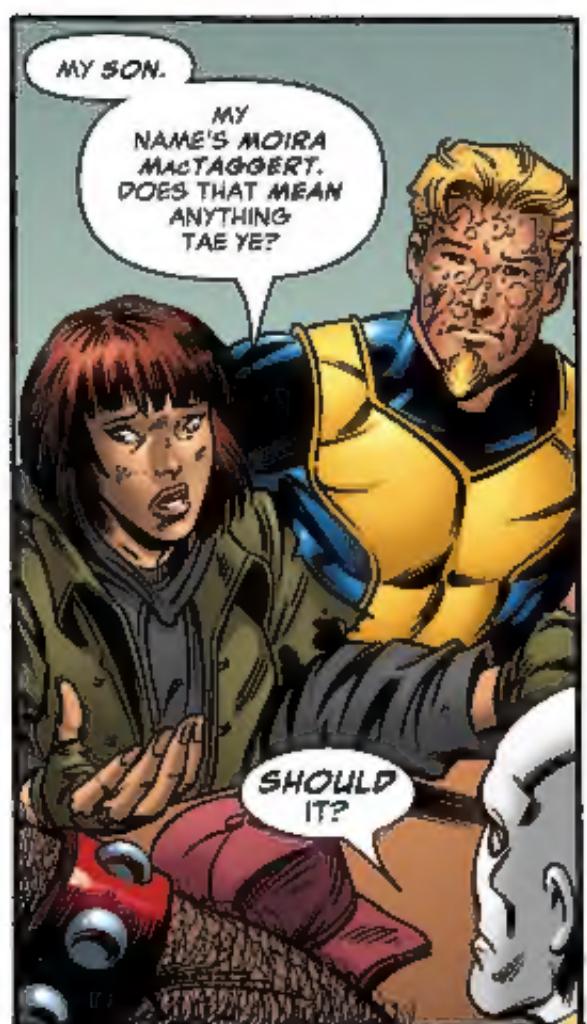
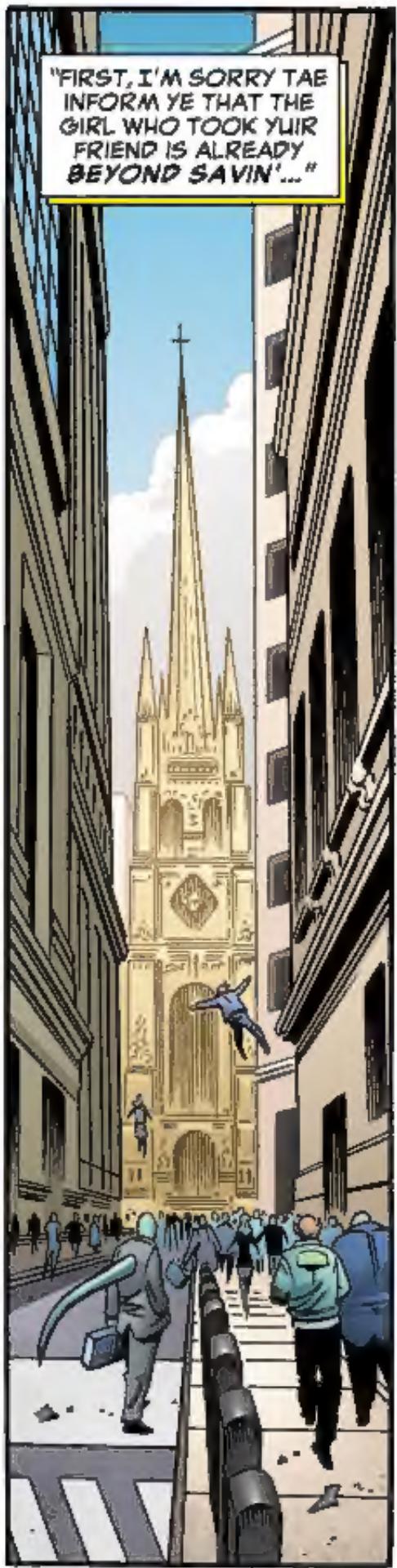
EVEN THE SENTINEL ROBOTS, THE SCOURGE OF MUTANTKIND IN EVERY OTHER REALITY, SERVE ONLY TO PROTECT.











"IF YE EVER WATCHED THE NEWS, YE'D RECOGNIZE MY NAME AN' KNOW I'M NOT THE BAG-LADY I APPEAR TAE BE."

"I'M A SCIENTIST. I OWNED A RESEARCH INSTITUTE ON MUIR ISLE, IN SCOTLAND."

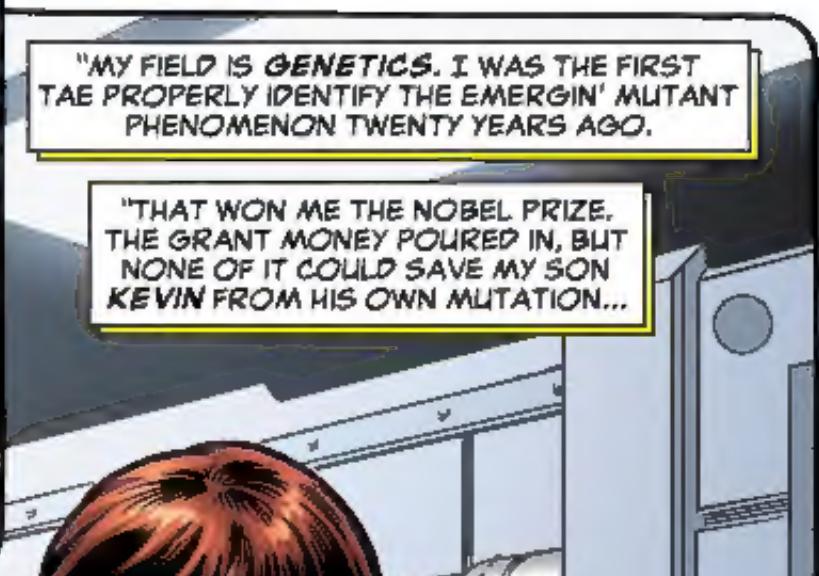
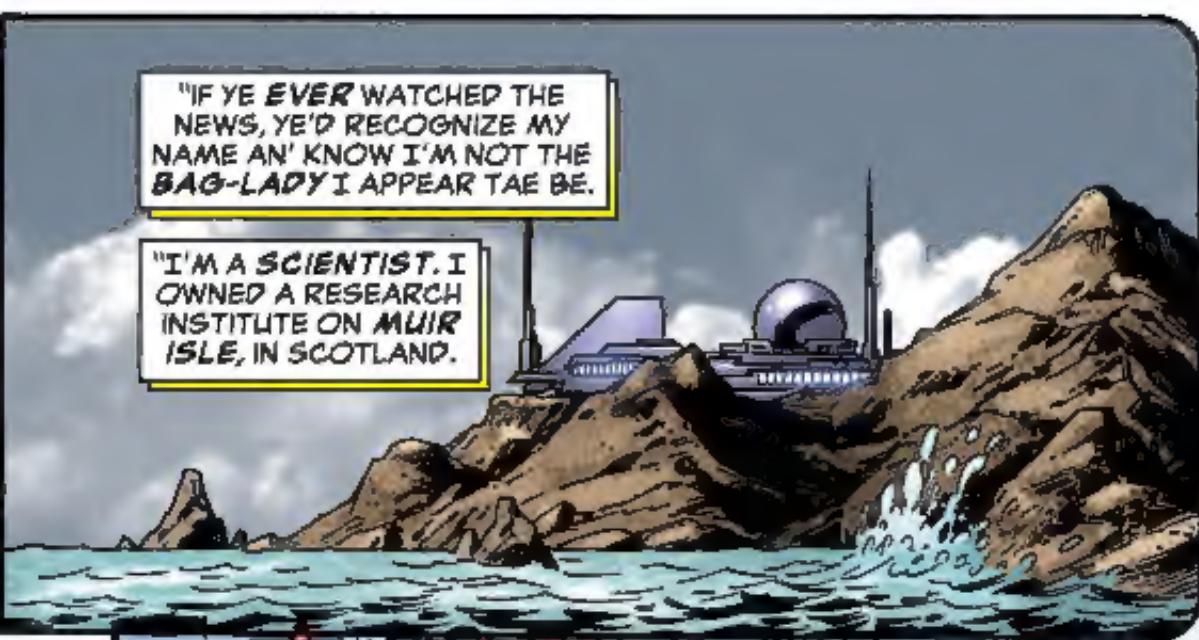
"MY FIELD IS GENETICS. I WAS THE FIRST TAE PROPERLY IDENTIFY THE EMERGIN' MUTANT PHENOMENON TWENTY YEARS AGO."

"THAT WON ME THE NOBEL PRIZE. THE GRANT MONEY POURED IN, BUT NONE OF IT COULD SAVE MY SON KEVIN FROM HIS OWN MUTATION..."

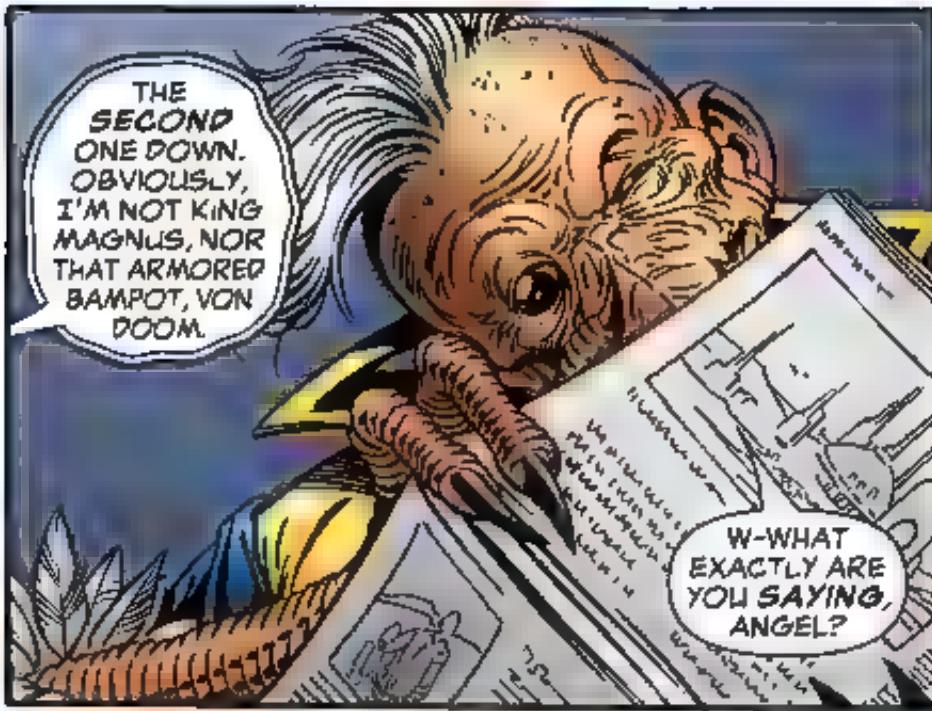
"...HE WITHERED BEFORE MY EYES, AND HUNGERED TAE FEED ON OTHERS. I LOCKED HIM AWAY AND SEARCHED FOR A WAY TAE CURE HIM BY ISOLATIN' AND NEUTRALIZIN' THE MUTANT GENE ITSELF."

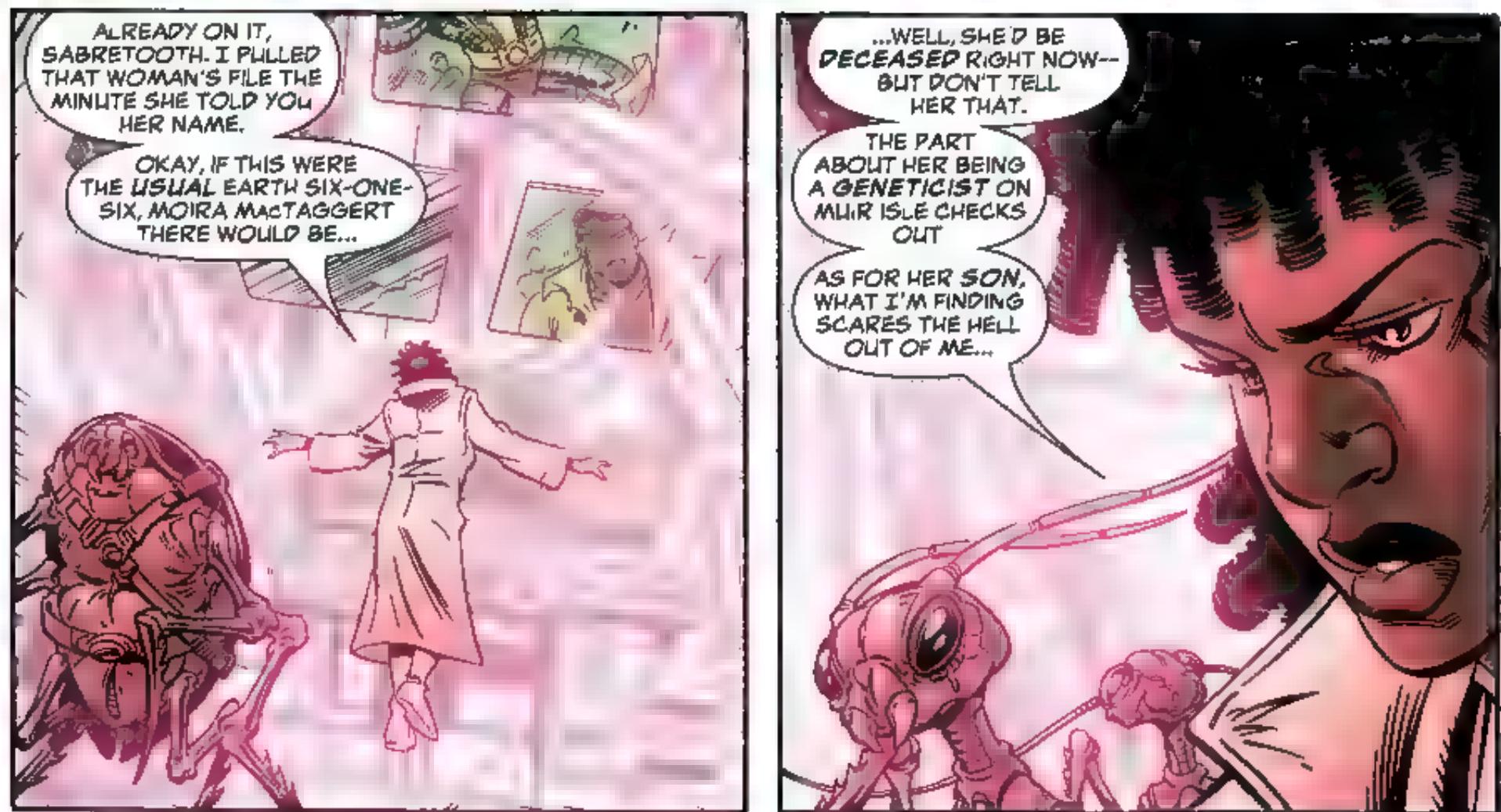
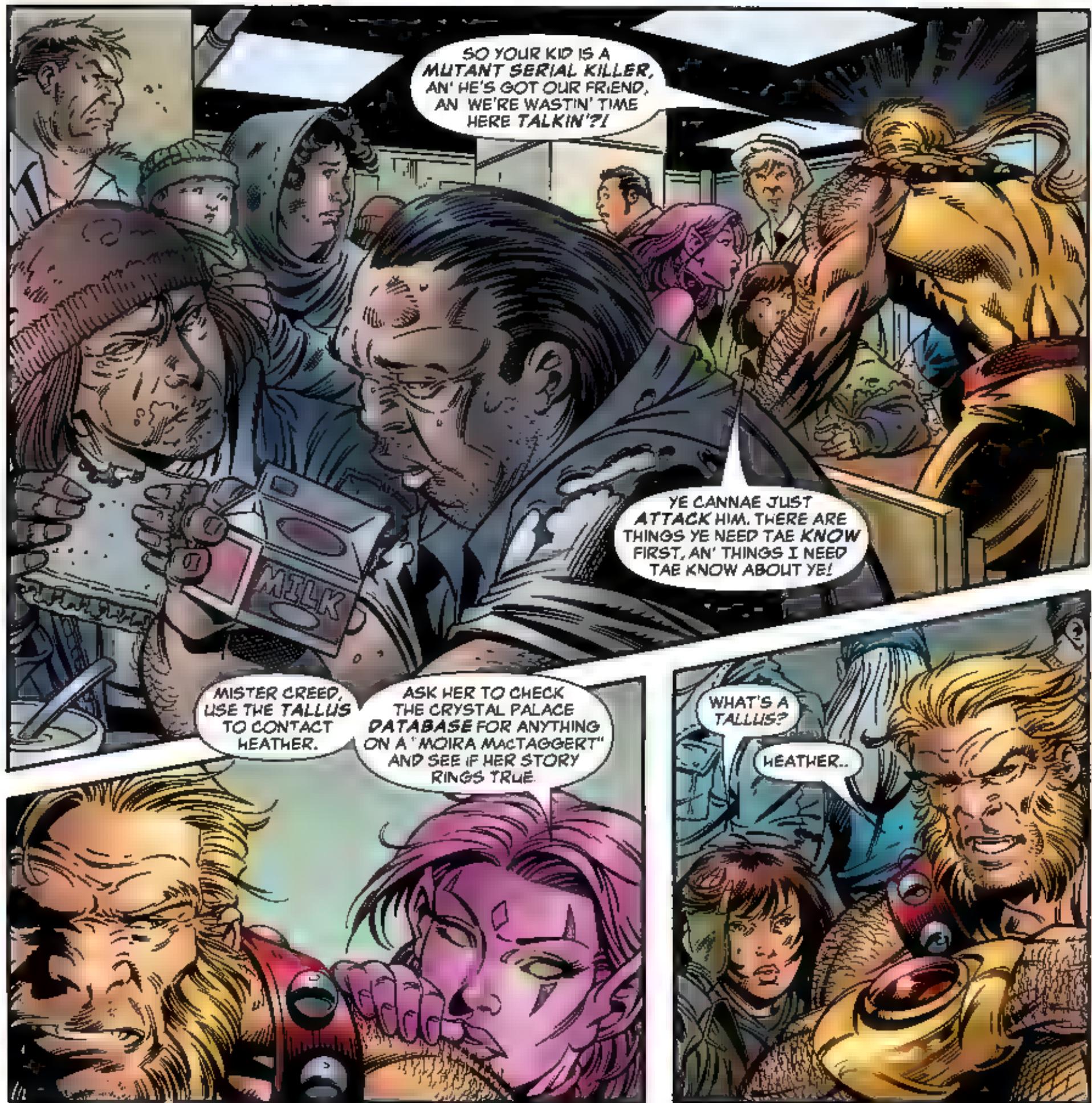
"BUT SEEKING A MEANS TO UNDO MUTATION IS A SHUIR WAY TAE MAKE AN ENEMY O' KING MAGNUS."

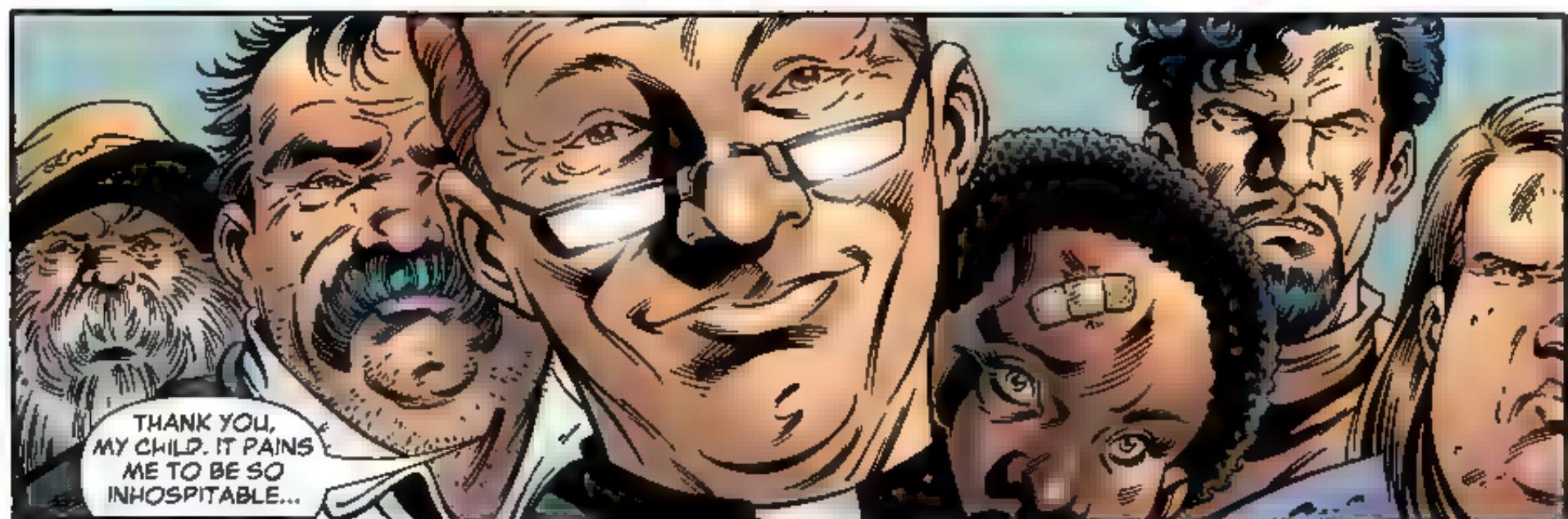
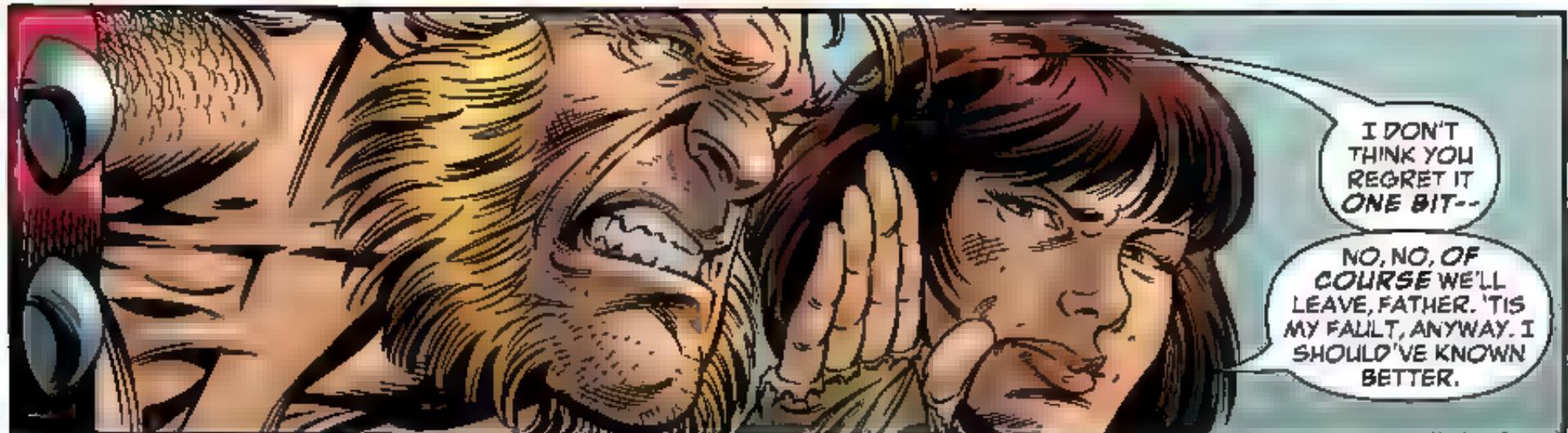
"I'VE BEEN THE MOST WANTED SAPIEN IN THE WORLD EVER SINCE..."



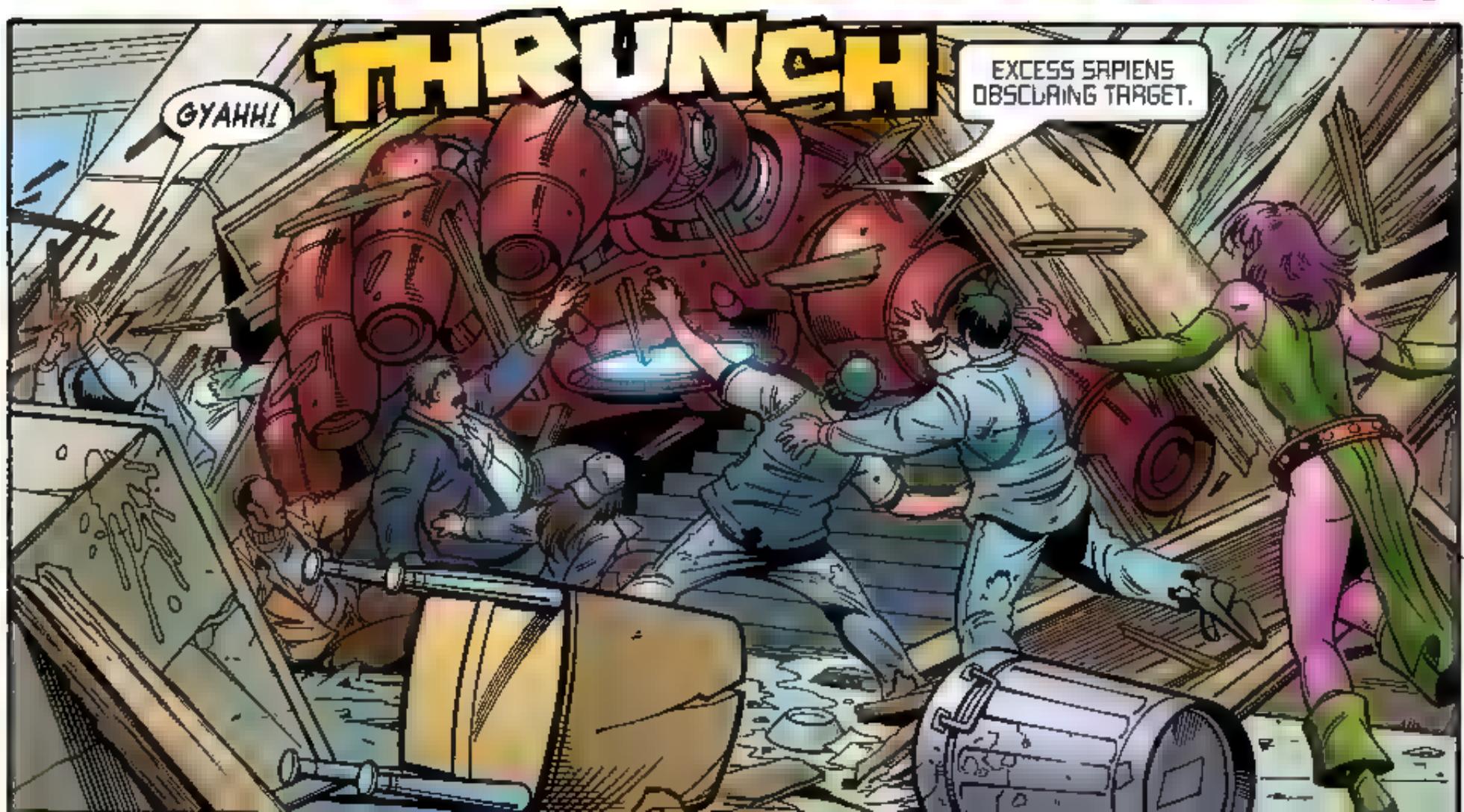
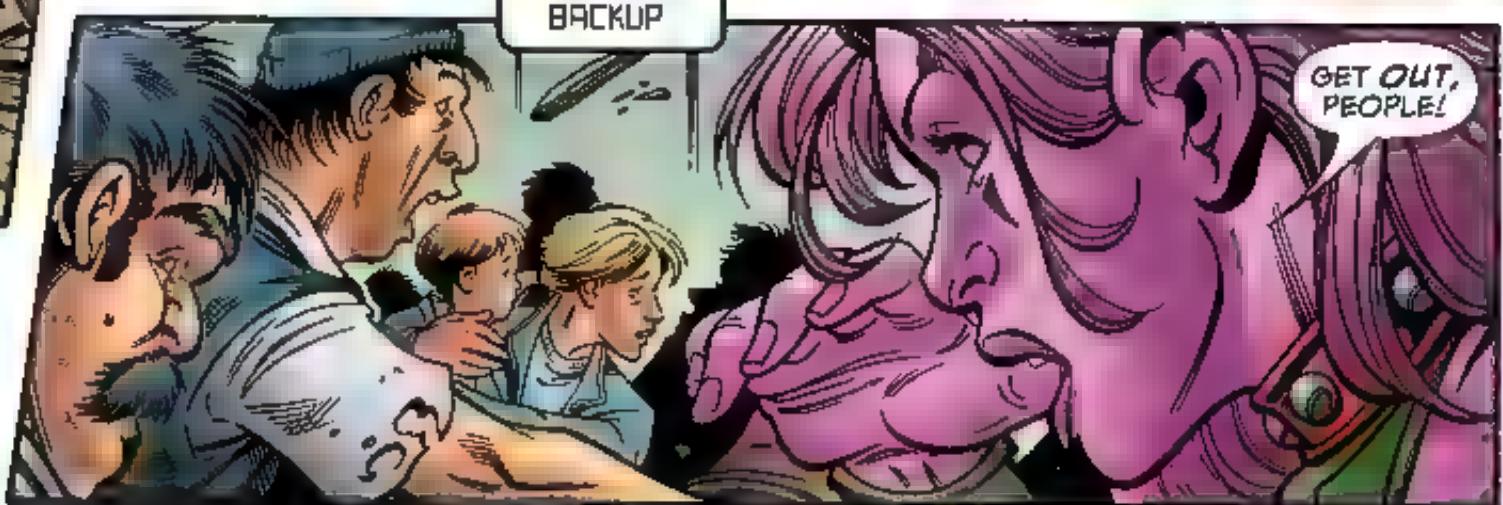












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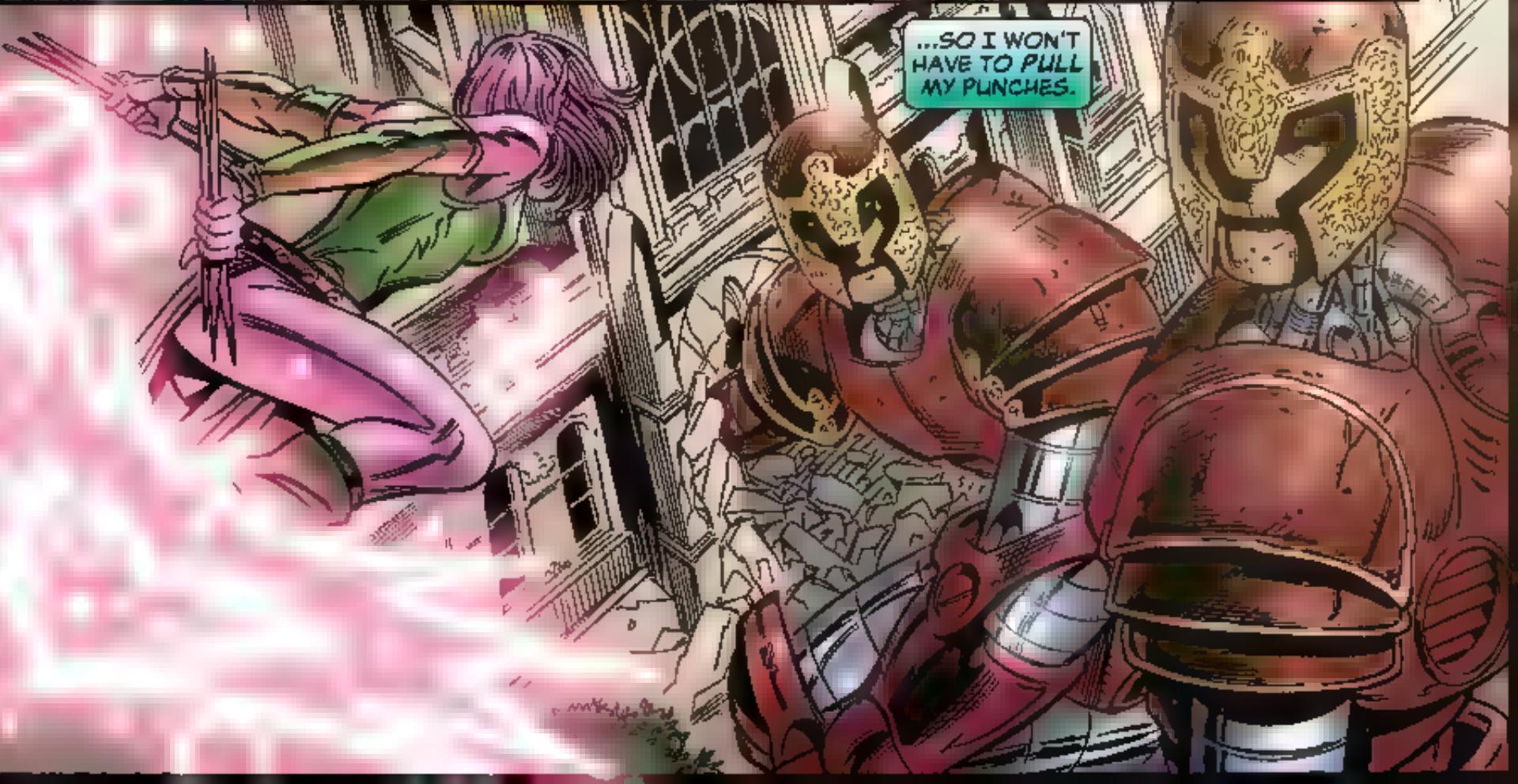


MUTANT COUNTERMEASURES ENABLED

ZARK

THESE THINGS HAVE NO REGARD FOR LIFE, AND NO LIFE OF THEIR OWN ..

...SO I WON'T HAVE TO PULL MY PUNCHES.



CAN'T REMEMBER THE LAST TIME I WAS HAPPY. IT'S BEEN ONE DISASTER AFTER ANOTHER LATELY.

I AM SICK OF BEING LIED TO AND MANIPULATED, WATCHING MY FRIENDS LOSE THEIR POWERS, THEIR FAMILIES, THEIR LIVES--

--IT SEEMS LIKE EVERYTHING WE CARE ABOUT GETS TAKEN AWAY, PIECE BY PIECE BY PIECE

BLINK

BLINK

BLINK

BLINK

MISTER CREED'S LIKE A FATHER TO ME. WHY DOES HE HAVE TO HATE THE MAN I LOVE?

AND WHY DID CAL'S BEAUTIFUL FACE HAVE TO TURN INTO GRISTLE AND MEAT?

I CAN LEARN TO LOOK PAST IT AND SEE HIS INNER BEAUTY, BUT COME ON! HAVEN'T WE BEEN THROUGH ENOUGH?

...SYSTEMS ERROR...SYSTEMS ERROR...

MAGNETO, A GOOD GUY? FINE. MUTANTS, THE MAJORITY? CHECK.

BUT SENTINELS CRASHING IN THROUGH THE FLOOR INSTEAD OF THE CEILING...? THAT IS JUST WRONG!

MORPH, IF YOU DON'T LEND A HAND, I SWEAR I'LL--

NEW TARGET ACQUIRED.

BLINK

GET OUT YOUR TRACKER DEVICE, MACTAGGERT. WE'RE GOING TO GO SAVE MY FRIEND NOW.

ANYTHING ELSE WE NEED TO KNOW, YOU TELL US ON THE WAY.

TOO RIGHT, I WILL...

"KEVIN'S MUTANT ABILITY IS ONE OF THE MOST POWERFUL EVER RECORDED. IT HAS TWO BASIC COMPONENTS..."

"...FIRST, MY SON CAN TEMPORARILY SUSPEND THE BASIC LAWS OF PHYSICS, WARPIN' REALITY TO SUIT HIS SICK WHIMS."



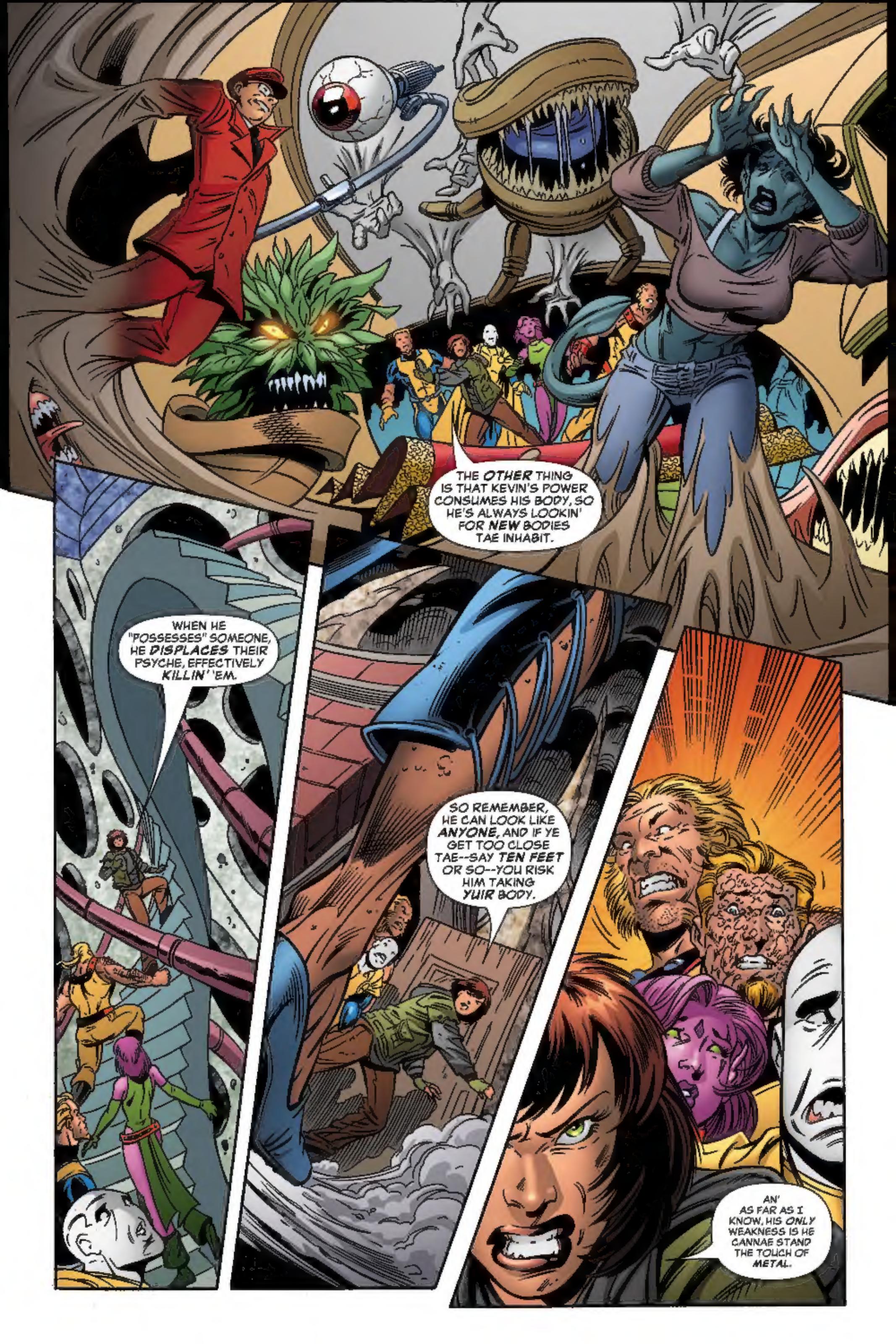


WHEN HE  
"POSSESSES" SOMEONE,  
HE DISPLACES THEIR  
PSYCHE, EFFECTIVELY  
KILLIN' 'EM.

THE OTHER THING  
IS THAT KEVIN'S POWER  
CONSUMES HIS BODY, SO  
HE'S ALWAYS LOOKIN'  
FOR NEW BODIES  
TAE INHABIT.



SO REMEMBER,  
WE CAN LOOK LIKE  
ANYONE, AND IF YE  
GET TOO CLOSE  
TAE--SAY TEN FEET  
OR SO--YOU RISK  
HIM TAKIN'  
YUUR BODY.



AN'  
AS FAR AS I  
KNOW, HIS ONLY  
WEAKNESS IS HE  
CANNAE STAND  
THE TOUCH OF  
METAL.



HULLO,  
MOTHER.

NEXT:

**THE POWER OF  
PROTEUS  
THE DEADLIEST  
MUTANT ALIVE!**